Mr. Subba Iyer said that, that being a very small Bill containing only verbal amendments, there was no need to refer the Bill to a Select Committee. He therefore proposed that the operation of the ordinary rules of business be suspended, so that the Bill might go through all the further stages except the final reading.

Seconded by Mr. Vieyra.

Carried.

Mr. Subba Iyer then proposed that the Bill be read again on a future day of which notice should be given.

Seconded by Mr. Aiyappan Pillai.

Carried.

MOTOR VEHICLES REGULATION AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. Subba Iyer, in introducing the Motor Vehicles Regulation Amendment Bill, said that the amendments proposed in Section I of the Bill were necessitated by the change in the official designation of the head of the Police Department from "Superintendent" into "Commissioner" made in the re-organisation effected in 1088 M. E. He also said that it was desirable to insert a specific provision in the Regulation empowering the Commissioner of Police, the license-giving authority under the Regulation, to test the skill or competency of persons applying for drivers' licenses.

Seconded by Mr. Aiyappan Pillai.

Mr. Sesha Iyer said that a law on the subject had just been passed by the Imperial Legislative Council and that the Council had better see what that law was before taking steps for amending the Regulation.

Mr. Subba Iyer said that the object of the Government of India Act was to consolidate the existing provincial enactments regarding the regulation of motor vehicles.

The President observed that the Travancore Motor Vehicles Regulation was based on the Madras Act, I of 1907, and that, having regard to the large number of motor vehicles in use in the State, it would be well to enact at once the provision in Section 2 of the Bill in view to guard against danger from in-experienced and unskilled men becoming drivers.

The Council adopted the suggestion made by the President.

Mr. Subba Iyer moved, in regard to this Bill also, that the rules be suspended and that the Bill be passed.

Seconded by Mr. Aiyappan Pillai.

Carried.

Mr. Subba Iyer then proposed that the Bill be read again on a future day of which notice should be given.

Seconded by Mr. Vieyra.

Carried.

THE LUNACY REGULATION AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. Subba Iyer moved that the Lunacy Regulation Amendment Bill be finally read and passed.

Seconded by Mr. Vieyra.

Carried.

THE ANCHAL REGULATION AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. Subba Iyer stated that, before the Bill was finally read and passed, it was necessary to insert in sub-section (3) of Section (1), a date from which the proposed law should come into force, and he proposed that the words "the 1st Medom 1089" be added at the end of the sub-section.

Seconded by Mr. Vieyra.

Carried.

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